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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

In response to the Restriction Requirement/Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed December 19, 2008, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 9-12, drawn to an ionic liquid, with traverse.

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